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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION**

**In re:**

**PG&E CORPORATION,**

**- and -**

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC  
COMPANY,**

**Debtors.**

- ☐ Affects PG&E Corporation  
☐ Affects Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
☒ Affects both Debtors

*\* All papers shall be filed in the Lead Case, No.  
19-30088 (DM).*

Bankruptcy Case No. 19-30088 (DM)

Chapter 11

(Lead Case) (Jointly Administered)

**REORGANIZED DEBTORS' NINETY-  
FOURTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO  
CLAIMS (AMENDED AND SUPERSEDED  
CLAIMS)**

**Response Deadline:**

**July 14, 2020, 4:00 p.m. (PT)**

**Hearing Information If Timely Response Made:**

Date: July 28, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m. (Pacific Time)

Place: (Telephonic Appearances Only)

United States Bankruptcy Court

Courtroom 17, 16th Floor

San Francisco, CA 94102

1 **TO: (A) THE HONORABLE DENNIS MONTALI, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY**  
2 **JUDGE; (B) THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE; (C) THE AFFECTED**  
3 **CLAIMANTS; AND (D) OTHER PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE:**

4 PG&E Corporation (“**PG&E Corp.**”) and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (the “**Utility**”), as  
5 debtors and reorganized debtors (collectively, “**PG&E**” or the “**Debtors**” or as reorganized pursuant to  
6 the Plan (as defined below), the “**Reorganized Debtors**”) in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the  
7 “**Chapter 11 Cases**”) hereby submit this ninety-fourth omnibus objection (the “**Objection**”) to the  
8 Proofs of Claim (as defined below) identified in the column headed “Claims To Be Disallowed and  
9 Expunged” on **Exhibit 1** annexed hereto.

## 10 **I. JURISDICTION**

11 This Court has jurisdiction over this Objection under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; the *Order*  
12 *Referring Bankruptcy Cases and Proceedings to Bankruptcy Judges*, General Order 24 (N.D. Cal.); and  
13 Rule 5011-1(a) of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the United States District Court for the Northern  
14 District of California (the “**Bankruptcy Local Rules**”). This matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28  
15 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. The  
16 statutory predicates for the relief requested are section 502 of title 11 of the United States Code (the  
17 “**Bankruptcy Code**”) and Rule 3007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (collectively, the  
18 “**Bankruptcy Rules**”).

## 19 **II. BACKGROUND**

20 On January 29, 2019 (the “**Petition Date**”), the Debtors commenced with the Court voluntary  
21 cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. Prior to the Effective Date (as defined below), the  
22 Debtors continued to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession  
23 pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee or examiner was appointed  
24 in either of the Chapter 11 Cases. The Chapter 11 Cases are being jointly administered for procedural  
25 purposes only pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b).

26 Additional information regarding the circumstances leading to the commencement of the Chapter  
27 11 Cases and information regarding the Debtors’ businesses and capital structure is set forth in the  
28 *Amended Declaration of Jason P. Wells in Support of the First Day Motions and Related Relief* [Docket  
No. 263].

1 On July 1, 2019, the Court entered the *Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 502(b)(9) and 105(a),*  
2 *Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002, 3003(c)(3), 5005, and 9007, and L.B.R. 3003-1 (I) Establishing Deadline for*  
3 *Filing Proofs of Claim, (II) Establishing the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, and (III) Approving*  
4 *Procedures for Providing Notice of Bar Date and Other Information to All Creditors and Potential*  
5 *Creditors* [Docket No. 2806] (the “**Bar Date Order**”). The Bar Date Order set the deadline to file all  
6 proofs of claim (each, a “**Proof of Claim**”) in respect of any prepetition claim (as defined in section  
7 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code), including all claims of Fire Claimants (as defined therein), Wildfire  
8 Subrogation Claimants (as defined therein), Governmental Units (as defined in section 101(27) of the  
9 Bankruptcy Code), and Customers, and for the avoidance of doubt, including all secured claims and  
10 priority claims, against either of the Debtors as October 21, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time (the “**Bar**  
11 **Date**”). The Bar Date later was extended solely with respect to unfiled, non-governmental Fire  
12 Claimants to December 31, 2019 [Docket No. 4672]<sup>1</sup>; and subsequently with respect to certain claimants  
13 that purchased or acquired the Debtors’ publicly held debt and equity securities and may have claims  
14 against the Debtors for rescission or damages to April 16, 2020 [Docket No. 5943].

15 By Order dated June 20, 2020 [Dkt. No. 8053], the Bankruptcy Court confirmed the *Debtors’*  
16 *and Shareholder Proponents’ Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization Dated June 19, 2020* (as may be  
17 further modified, amended or supplemented from time to time, and together with any exhibits or  
18 scheduled thereto, the “**Plan**”). The Effective Date of the Plan occurred on July 1, 2020 (the “**Effective**  
19 **Date**”). See Dkt. No. 8252.

### 20 **III. RELIEF REQUESTED**

21 The Reorganized Debtors file this Objection, pursuant to section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code,  
22 Bankruptcy Rule 3007, Bankruptcy Local Rule 3007-1, and the *Order Approving (A) Procedures for*  
23 *Filing Omnibus Objections to Claims and (B) the Form and Manner of the Notice of Omnibus*  
24 *Objections*, dated June 30, 2020 [Docket No. 8228] (the “**Omnibus Objections Procedures Order**”),  
25 seeking entry of an order disallowing Proofs of Claim that duplicate others already submitted in these  
26 Chapter 11 Cases (referred to hereafter as the “**Amended and Superseded Claims**”). The Amended

27 <sup>1</sup> The claims of Fire Claimants will be administered through the Fire Victim Trust and the claims of  
28 Wildfire Subrogation Claimants through the Subrogation Wildfire Trust in accordance with the Plan.

1 and Superseded Claims and the Proofs of Claim of which they are duplicates (the “**Surviving Claims**”)  
2 are both identified in **Exhibit 1** in the columns headed “Claims To Be Disallowed and Expunged” and  
3 “Surviving Claims” respectively. The Amended and Superseded Claims are so classified because each  
4 such claim was superseded by a subsequently filed Proof of Claim that expresses that intention either on  
5 the face of, or in the attachments to, the later-filed Proof of Claim (e.g., the Surviving Claim). The  
6 Reorganized Debtors request that the Amended and Superseded Claims be disallowed and expunged.  
7 The Objection does not affect any of the Surviving Claims. There is a single Surviving Claim for each  
8 underlying claim asserted against the Debtors by an Amended and Superseded Claim that is the subject  
9 of this Objection.<sup>2</sup>

#### 10 **IV. ARGUMENT**

##### 11 **A. The Amended and Superseded Claims Should be Disallowed**

12 Bankruptcy Rules 3007(d) and (e) and the Omnibus Objections Procedures Order govern  
13 omnibus objections to claims in these Chapter 11 Cases. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3007(d)(1),  
14 objections to more than one claim may be joined if the objections are based solely on the grounds that  
15 the claims should be disallowed, in whole or in part, because they have been amended. Bankruptcy Rule  
16 3007(e) requires that an omnibus objection must list the claimants alphabetically and by cross-reference  
17 to claim numbers. Each of the Amended and Superseded Claims identified on **Exhibit 1** hereto amends  
18 another claim, which the Reorganized Debtors have referenced. Each of the Claimants is listed  
19 alphabetically, and the claim number and amount are identified in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule  
20 3007(e). Furthermore, in accordance with the Omnibus Objections Procedures Order, the Reorganized  
21 Debtors have sent individualized notices to the holders of each of the Amended and Superseded Claims.  
22 The Reorganized Debtors request that the Court disallow the Amended and Superseded Claims in their  
23 entirety. For the avoidance of doubt, the Surviving Claims are not affected by this Objection.

24 The Reorganized Debtors and their professionals have reviewed the Amended and Superseded

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25 <sup>2</sup> In some instances, the same Surviving Claim appears in multiple entries in the “Surviving Claims”  
26 column on **Exhibit 1**. The multiple entries mean that there were multiple Amended and Superseded  
27 Claims filed with respect to the same underlying obligation, and the identified Surviving Claim listed  
28 in multiple entries is the sole remaining Proof of Claim for all of the corresponding Amended and  
Superseded Claims listed in the “Claims To Be Disallowed and Expunged” column.

1 Claims, all documents furnished by the Claimants with respect to the Amended and Superseded Claims,  
2 and the Reorganized Debtors' books and records, and have determined that each Amended and  
3 Superseded Claim is obsolete because the Claimant has filed an amended or subsequent claim with  
4 respect to the same underlying asserted obligations. To avoid multiple recoveries by the same Claimant  
5 on the same asserted obligation, the Reorganized Debtors request that the Court disallow and expunge  
6 in their entirety the Amended and Superseded Claims. The Surviving Claims will remain on the claims  
7 register, subject to pending and further objections.

8 **B. The Claimants Bear the Burden of Proof**

9 A filed proof of claim is "deemed allowed, unless a party in interest . . . objects." 11 U.S.C.  
10 § 502(a).<sup>3</sup> Section 502(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, however, provides in relevant part that a claim  
11 may not be allowed if "such claim is unenforceable against the debtor and property of the debtor, under  
12 any agreement or applicable law." 11 U.S.C. § 502(b)(1). Once the objector raises "facts tending to  
13 defeat the claim by probative force equal to that of the allegations of the proofs of claim themselves,"  
14 *Wright v. Holm (In re Holm)*, 931 F.2d 620, 623 (9th Cir. 1991), quoting 3 L. King, *Collier on*  
15 *Bankruptcy* § 502.02 at 502-22 (15th ed. 1991), then "the burden reverts to the claimant to prove the  
16 validity of the claim by a preponderance of the evidence," *Ashford v. Consolidated Pioneer Mortgage*  
17 *(In re Consolidated Pioneer Mortgage)*, 178 B.R. 222, 226 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1995) (quoting *In re*  
18 *Allegheny Int'l, Inc.*, 954 F.2d 167, 173-74 (3d Cir. 1992)), *aff'd without opinion* 91 F.3d 151 (9th Cir.  
19 1996). "[T]he ultimate burden of persuasion is always on the claimant." *Holm*, 931 F.2d at 623 (quoting  
20 King, *Collier on Bankruptcy*); *see also Lundell v. Anchor Constr. Specialists, Inc.*, 223 F.3d 1035, 1039  
21 (9th Cir. 2000); *Spencer v. Pugh (In re Pugh)*, 157 B.R. 898, 901 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1993); *In re Fidelity*  
22 *Holding Co.*, 837 F.2d 696, 698 (5th Cir. 1988).

23 As set forth above, the Reorganized Debtors submit that the Amended and Superseded Claims

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24 <sup>3</sup> Upon the Reorganized Debtors' request, the deadline under Section 7.1 of the Plan for the  
25 Reorganized Debtors to bring objections to Claims initially was extended through and including June  
26 26, 2021 (except for Claims of the United States, which deadline was extended to March 31, 2021)  
27 [Docket No. 9563]. That deadline has been further extended through December 23, 2021, except for  
28 Claims of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, which deadline was extended to  
September 30, 2021, without prejudice to the right of the Reorganized Debtors seek further extensions  
thereof [Docket No. 10494]. The deadline with respect to Claims of the United States has been further  
extended by stipulation and order [Docket Nos. 10459 and 10463].

1 are duplicates and should be disallowed. If any Claimant believes that an Amended and Superseded  
2 Claim is valid and non-duplicative, it must present affirmative evidence demonstrating the validity of  
3 that claim.

#### 4 **V. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

5 The Reorganized Debtors hereby reserve the right to object, as applicable, in the future to any of  
6 the Proofs of Claim listed in this Objection (including the Amended and Superseded Claims and the  
7 Surviving Claims) on any ground, and to amend, modify, or supplement this Objection to the extent an  
8 objection to a claim is not granted, and to file other objections to any proofs of claims filed in these  
9 cases, including, without limitation, objections as to the amounts asserted therein, or any other claims  
10 (filed or not) against the Debtors, regardless of whether such claims are subject to this Objection. A  
11 separate notice and hearing will be scheduled for any such objections. Should the grounds of objection  
12 specified herein be overruled or withdrawn, wholly or in part, the Reorganized Debtors reserve the right  
13 to object to the Amended and Superseded Claims on any other grounds that the Reorganized Debtors  
14 may discover or deem appropriate.

#### 15 **VI. NOTICE**

16 Notice of this Objection will be provided to (i) holders of the Amended and Superseded Claims;  
17 (ii) the Office of the U.S. Trustee for Region 17 (Attn: Andrew R. Vara, Esq. and Timothy Laffredi,  
18 Esq.); (iii) counsel to the Creditors Committee; (iv) counsel to Tort Claimants Committee; (v) all counsel  
19 and parties receiving electronic notice through the Court's electronic case filing system; and (vi) those  
20 persons who have formally appeared in these Chapter 11 Cases and requested service pursuant to  
21 Bankruptcy Rule 2002. The Reorganized Debtors respectfully submit that no further notice is required.  
22 No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made by the Reorganized Debtors to this or  
23 any other Court.

24 WHEREFORE the Reorganized Debtors respectfully request entry of an order granting (i) the  
25 relief requested herein as a sound exercise of the Reorganized Debtors' business judgment and in the  
26 best interests of their estates, creditors, shareholders, and all other parties interests, and (ii) such other  
27 and further relief as the Court may deem just and appropriate.  
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